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## Elba Water and Electric Board members vote to expand water system to be primary water supplier for Ben E. Keith Distribution Center

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Discussions on the primary and redundant water suppliers for the new Ben E. Keith Distribution Center currently being constructed just outside of New Brockton along U.S. Highway 84 reached Elba recently.

Last Monday evening, July 20, a work session was held between the Elba Industrial Development Board (IDB) and the Elba Water and Electric Board to discuss a request coming from Coffee County on behalf of the Ben E. Keith project searching for a commitment to be the primary water supplier for the distribution center. Project and Coffee County officials had been in prior discussions with Elba Mayor Mickey Murdock and the Industrial Development Board on whether Elba was interested in being either the primary or redundant water supplier for the facility.

It was determined that making that happen would be an ultimate decision of the Elba Water and Electric Board, and therefore, the parties all got together to discuss the matter. Ultimately, it appeared the notion coming from the work session would be that Elba most likely would want to be the primary water supplier or not be involved since there would be room for growth for the water system in becoming the primary supplier to that location with no real revenue coming from choosing only to be the redundant supplier.

On Monday, July 27, the

### CDC isolation guidelines change for adults with COVID-19, according to ADPH

Most adults who have had mild to moderate COVID-19 illness can now leave isolation after completing 10 days in home isolation and persons do not need to be retested before returning to work, according to newly released Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines.

This change in recommendations about the duration of isolation was made because the latest scientific data show most people are no longer infectious 10 days after symptoms begin. Equivalent data for infants and children is not currently available. In the absence of specific data, the same guidelines apply to the pediatric age group.

Close contacts to a known COVID-19 case should stay home (quarantine) for at least 14 days. Even if the person tests negative for COVID-19 or feels healthy, he or she should still quarantine since symptoms may appear 2 to 14 days after last known exposure to the virus. The quarantine period for a close contact with ongoing exposure requires adding the 14 days to the "last date of exposure."

The "last date of exposure" for a close contact is the last date of isolation for the COVID-19 case, the day the person can

### HRDC assists with utility bills in Elba

During the Elba Water and Electric Board meeting Monday night, July 27, board members discussed that over \$18,000 had been paid in June by the local HRDC [Human Resources Development Corporation] office to help low income families with their utility bills through the LIHEAP [Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program].

Board members noted this amount paid by HRDC had gone up seemingly due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and they suggested any person/family in Elba struggling to pay their electric bill to contact Dottie Stricklin at the HRDC office in Elba for assistance at (334) 897-2667.

Elba Water and Electric Board met for its regular monthly meeting, and the matter was officially discussed by the board members during the meeting.

Board chairman Tim Johnson provided a breakdown of figures from monies already invested, and potential grant funds available to funds said to be invested by the Elba IDB and additional costs to be covered.

Johnson said project estimates indicated this would be a \$1.8 million project [all funding considered]. Taking out \$60,000 already invested by the county, a potential of up to \$800,000 in grant funds, as well as, \$300,000 from the Elba IDB to be put on the project if Elba were to be the primary water source, Johnson said that would leave approximately \$350,000-\$360,000 to still be invested by Elba Water and Electric. This all would allow the Elba Water and Electric System to be extended along Highway 84 all the way to the Ben E Keith site near New Brockton. That would give Elba the option

to be the water supplier for others that build in this area, including any additional businesses as part of the county's industrial development park on along Hwy 84 across from the Ben E. Keith project.

Johnson also noted a plan in motion for a 20-house subdivision to be constructed in the area to which Elba could also be the water supplier.

He said all of this brings potential for growth for Elba's Water System.

After a rather lengthy discussion, Johnson asked the board members how they wished to proceed - be the primary supplier, redundant supplier, or not be involved at all.

Board member Barry Giles said he felt Elba should be the primary water supplier or nothing at all.

"It's more expense, but the potential for growth is there," Giles said.

The other board members seemed to concur.

Giles made a motion with a second from board member Jane Brunson for

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### Local officials continue to monitor COVID-19 cases closely

Coronavirus numbers continue to be a topic of discussion at local governmental meetings as officials keep a close watch on the number of active cases in Coffee County and Elba.

James Brown, Coffee County EMA director, said the cumulative COVID-19 cases for the county were at 633 [overall number of cases since virus began] Monday morning, July 27, as he addressed the Coffee County Commission with an update. That number was up to 649 as of press time Tuesday, July 28th.

Based on the information he had, Brown said he believed the county had approximately 159 active cases as of Monday morning with 97 of those being considered infectious.

Brown further noted that hospitals were maintaining their caseloads, but ICU's are the biggest concern. In the local area, he said ICU beds are down to almost nothing available currently, and statewide the capacity is at approximately 86 percent.

Brown said the Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation (IHME) had released information indicating a hope that cases in Alabama peaked on July 25th; however, he said it was still too early to tell if that was true or not with tests still catching up to that date.

"We are watching it all closely," Brown said.

During the Elba City Council meeting held Monday night, Elba Police Lt. Russ Young said current information suggested four active COVID-19 cases in Elba (out of the 100-plus countywide). Unfortunately, however, he said the deaths within the county from the virus had been especially hard on the Elba community.

Young said information provided to the police department noted seven deaths countywide, and five of those seven had been Elba residents.



**ELBA FIRE DEPARTMENT GETS AIRBOAT TO BE ABLE TO ASSIST ON RIVER CALLS...**The Elba Fire Department recently took possession of the new airboat it had ordered to be able to better respond to river calls on the Pea River. Both the City of Elba and Coffee County Commission assisted Elba FD in purchasing the airboat. Monday morning, July 27, several Elba volunteer firefighters, including Fire Chief Drew Parker, attended the Coffee County Commission meeting and had the airboat with them to allow commissioners an opportunity to 'check out' the new rescue device and ask any questions. Parker thanked Coffee County for the funding assistance it provided in allowing Elba FD to make the purchase. He said several of Elba's volunteer firefighters have been training to operate the new airboat. He said the airboat appears to be the answer in being able to navigate the Pea River best when medical assistance or river rescue are needed. Of the 50-55 miles of the river in Coffee County, Parker said his department had been able to successfully travel both north and south from Elba's boat ramp to the Williams boat landing in Kinston and just north of Hwy. 167 in the other direction. Later Monday, the fire department also had the airboat on display outside the department to allow Elba City Council members to also look at the new boat. Above, Chief Parker explains several features of the new airboat to Elba Mayor Mickey Murdock and Elba Water and Electric Chairman Tim Johnson.

### Regarding 2020 municipal election

#### Elba City Council approves resolutions recognizing all five council seats to be 'elected without opposition'

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During the Elba City Council meeting held Monday night, July 27, five separate resolutions were approved noting each council person for each of Elba's five districts had been elected without opposition

in the 2020 municipal election.

The resolution stated that Mayor Mickey Murdock had filed a written statement with the governing body of the municipality, attested by the Clerk, certifying the fact that only one person filed a statement of candidacy for the office prior to the deadline.

Council persons elected without opposition were:

District 1 - Johnathan T. Lockett; District 2 - Gappa Wise; District 3 - Jane B. Brunson; District 4 - Bryan Grimes; District 5 - A R Williams

The council persons elected all are currently serving in that capacity, with the exception of Bryan Grimes, District 4. He will replace Tom Maddox on the council for that district in November. Maddox is seeking the office of mayor in the upcoming municipal election for Elba set for Aug. 25th.

Also during Monday night's council meeting, Mayor Murdock announced that street supervisor Lee Gideon recently had been out of work for a back surgery. Gideon was injured on the job a few years ago, and the latest surgery was due to ongoing problems he continues to have from that in-

jury.

Murdock said it had been determined that Gideon was going to be disabled now, and he would not be able to return to the job. Therefore, he said Steve Sutley had agreed to come out of retirement for a few months to assist the city with the street supervisor's position while a permanent replacement is being sought.

Also, Murdock said Jeremy Heath had moved from the street department to accept the job as water supervisor for the Water and Electric Department.

The mayor said approximately \$440,000 in checks had been delivered last week to eight homeowners involved in the FEMA flood buyout program. These were the first properties approved for buyout in the program that had accepted the offer.

Murdock said the city now would have 90 days to demo the homes on those properties. He added that progress is being made also with the second batch of homes in the ongoing buyout program.

City clerk Sally Bane said she has absentee ballots available for application in her office for the upcoming municipal election [the only office being contested on the ballot is for Mayor of Elba with three candidates]. She said the ballots should be picked up and returned to city hall by the appropriate dates as noted on the package. Call 897-6833 to apply for an absentee ballot.

Looking at the city's financials for Fiscal Year 2020 through nine months, the mayor admitted he had expected a bad year for the city, but fortunately, he had been wrong thus far. He said overall revenues have remained about three percent ahead of last year.

### Elba City Schools students to return Monday, Aug. 10th

On Monday of this week, Elba City Schools superintendent Chris Moseley said the system had been granted a waiver from the state department to push the 2020-2021 start date for students to Monday, Aug. 10, rather than the previously scheduled date of Aug. 6th.

"This will allow more training time with our teachers prior to the students returning to the classroom," Moseley said.

The week of Aug. 3rd - 7th will be professional development workdays for the teachers of Elba City Schools.

To view the updated school calendar for Elba as well as updated reopening details, turn to Page 10 of today's newspaper.

## EDITORIAL

## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"Isn't it nice to think that tomorrow is a new day with no mistakes in it yet?" — L. M. Montgomery, Anne of Green Gables

Boy, what you can find on the internet . . . however, getting the truth is not always so easy! We have often heard that "If it can happen it will happen." That holds true for sure in the Sahara Desert. A lone tree was famous as a key landmark for travelers (with 250 miles of open desert in every direction) but a drunk driver ran down the tree in 1973. We recall reading about that years ago in some magazine but a picture of the now destroyed straggly tree cropped up again this week on the internet.

Other things found in one spot on the internet that the writers say are probably not true include: The Greek poet Homer, author of The Iliad and The Odyssey, was not the original author, just the first to write it down. PLUS Homer may have been a blind woman OR maybe a group of Greek scholars. Also Helen of Troy, reportedly the most beautiful woman in the world, 'probably' didn't exist. They think that she was a mythological character added to the Iliad.

Math majors will instantly know Pythagoras (you remember the Pythagoras Theorem). Well the internet de-bunks his existence as well, simply because they have no proof he wrote anything down. The lists goes on with doubts about the Bible characters Moses and also Jonah—who was swallowed by a big fish—(whale?). Muslims will bristle at the questions of Muhammad's existence. But then they hit rock bottom with this country boy who grew up in the Methodist Church "as a believer" . . . they were even attempting to discredit Jesus because of a lack of eyewitness accounts! There were a bunch more of these, including the Shakespeare doubters, but following the Jesus comment we clicked on the 'close' icon.

Why in the world are Alabama people (and residents of at least 10 or 12 other states) getting unsolicited packets of seed in the mail - often labeled as jewelry - all the way from China. Plus, there is a warning published this week from the Department of Agriculture "Do Not Open, contact the USDA and keep the seed packet until the feds give further instructions." Our ears are open to hear what devious act those 'mean ole enemies of the people' have concealed in these seed packets.

Folks that ole COVID-19 virus is still around and it is running amok all across Coffee County, Alabama, the US and the world. We implore you to please, please be careful out there. Unfortunately, many people will still contact the virus, even with aggressive hand washing, masks, social distancing, etc., but not as many as would otherwise. Many companies are working to find a cure and/or preventive for this pandemic bug, but it isn't here yet.

Local political races are always more interesting (and unusual) than the state and national races. This year is proving to be no different. In Elba there is only opposition in the Mayor's race where three citizens are competing for the open seat. There is only one candidate in each of the five slots of the Elba City Council. Opp is promising to be a rerun of four years ago when a female unseated the incumbent mayor. Both are on the ballot again. No candidate qualified against the New Brockton mayor and they even have one council slot with no candidate. Enterprise has a nest of candidates running for mayor, including the incumbent. Races in Brundidge and Troy also promise some hot politicking before the August voting.

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**ELBA CITY COUNCIL MEMBER JOHNATHAN LOCKETT** is shown working hard last Saturday, July 25, during the District One Community Clean Up Day. Lockett and other concerned citizens in his district organized this clean up day, and it was a huge success with more than 40 people participating. During Monday night's Elba City Council meeting, Lockett thanked all who helped make the clean up event a success.

## Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, July 21, and Monday, July 27, 2020, conducted the following activity:

**TUESDAY, JULY 21** – Report of trespassing at 1233 Farris Ave (2:40 p.m.); Noise complaint at Elba Villa Apartments on Caroline St (9:16 p.m.). There was one traffic stop reported on this date with no action taken.

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 22** – Suspicious vehicle reported at the Hillcrest Memorial Gardens Cemetery on Hwy 84 (2:08 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at Mr. Henry's on Claxton Ave (7:27 a.m.); Animal complaint at 418 Moore Ave (7:55 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 490 County Rd 263 (9:38 a.m.); Animal complaint at 475 Smith Ave (12:09 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 406 Simmons St (2:13 p.m.); Stolen vehicle reported from 220 Old Samson Rd (5:05 p.m.).

**THURSDAY, JULY 23** – Suspicious vehicle reported at Tiger Town Apartments on Collier Circle (4:15 a.m.); Burglary reported at 953 Smith Ave (6:42 a.m.); Trespassing reported at Elba Villa Apartments on Caroline St (10:45 a.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 305 Dr. Roberts Dr (12:42 p.m.); Animal complaint on Simmons St (1:10 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at Evergreen Cemetery on Hwy 189 (5:36 p.m.). There were five traffic stops reported resulting in four warnings issued and one advise given.

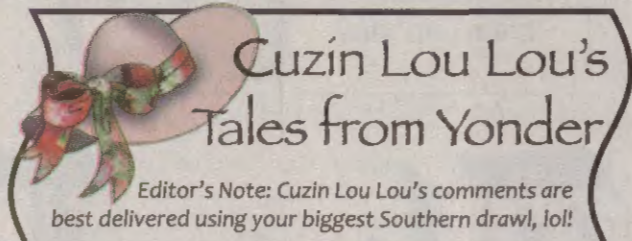
**FRIDAY, JULY 24** – Burglary reported at the Elba Car Wash on Hickman Ave (3:56 p.m.). There were two traffic stops reported with one warning issued and one no action taken.

**SATURDAY, JULY 25** – Fight reported at 990 Hwy 203 (12:12 a.m.); Assault reported at Apt. B10 of Elba Villas on Caroline St (12:21 a.m.); ATV complaint reported at 1000 County Rd 409 (11:55 a.m.). There were six traffic stops on this date resulting in three warnings issued, two no action taken, and one report taken.

**SUNDAY, JULY 26** – Criminal mischief reported at 18 Cedar Lane Dr. Lot 8 (6:11 a.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 810 Cedar Lane Dr (9:23 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 1157 Morrow Ave (10:56 a.m.); Harassment reported at 979

Johnson St (11:16 a.m.); Harassment reported at 1625 Parker St (2:11 p.m.); Theft of property reported at 1499 Claxton Ave (5:56 p.m.); Noise complaint reported on Harper Dr (8:48 p.m.). There were two traffic stops on this date with each resulting in a citation.

**MONDAY, JULY 27** – Animal complaint reported at 1339 County Rd 376 (9:16 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at the Inland store on Davis St (7:19 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 703 Plant Ave S (8:42 p.m.). There was one traffic stop reported with a warning issued.



Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's comments are best delivered using your biggest Southern drawl, lol!

There has been a tremendous amount of change in our lives over past 4-5 months. Some things we have had no control over and have been forced to adapt. However, the one thing Cuzin Lou Lou prays will cease is the growing apathy she sees in our lives.

Apathy is a scary thing. Let's all pray it ceases because, like it or not, it is a growing trend these days.

Lou Lou tries to be the kind of person that if someone she cares about needed help today, she would do everything she can to help. There probably have been times when she failed, but she tries not to ignore the needs of those she cares about whenever possible.

Cuzin Lou Lou hopes others try to be the same way. Don't be the person that says, "I wish I could, but..." when there really was no reason to say no other than you just did not care to help.

The day will come that we all need some sort of help. It may not be today and it may not be tomorrow. But, we all will face trials in our lives, and it is good to know there are people out there that would and will do anything for your simply because they care for you and know you would and will do the same for them.

The current face mask mandate in good 'ole Bama sort of falls under that category too.

Lou Lou has read post after post on 'dramaloid' [aka Facebook] where

people have totally lost their cool and respect for others over the face mask mandate. Comments range from "that's a violation of my rights" to "you are crazy if you think you are going to make me wear a mask".

Lou Lou even saw where a potential customer of a local restaurant lost his/her cool with the employees there because they told him/her there is a mandate in place and he/she would have to wear a mask upon entering and exiting. [Nevermind the masks can be removed once seated]. This person got so irate that the law had to be called to the establishment.

Really????

Those folks are just hard-working individuals trying to make a living to support their family just as any other person does on any given day. They are only following the rules by asking customers to wear a face mask for less than 60 seconds.

Is it that hard to just comply? Are we so apathetic these days that being bothered for less than a minute is worth causing a scene and having to involve the police. Come on!

Those employees do not deserve to be berated just because you can't be bothered to wear a face mask for only a few seconds and the police certainly have more important things to do than deal with you!

Think about it folks! Just be kind!! Be respectful!

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling! And wear your mask!!!

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# Obituaries

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## LOUISE MARLER

Ms. Louise Marler, age 86, a resident of the Bullock community, died Thursday, July 23, 2020, at her home.

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 25, at Newbia Baptist Church with Rev. Will Jordan, and Dr. John Granger officiating. Burial followed in the Friendship Baptist Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Louise was preceded in death by her parents, Joe L. Marler and Lula Turman Marler.

Survivors include a daughter by choice: Rita Tanner along with her husband Johnny and their son Ryan Tanner. Louise also became very close to her devoted sitters, Delroy Fleming, Ula Brockton, and Courtney Hardy, along with the staff of Dayspring Hospice.

## FREDDIE JACKSON

Mr. Freddie Jackson, age 61, died Sunday, July 5, 2020.

Graveside services were held July 13, 2020 Pleasant Grove Cemetery with Coleman Funeral Home of Enterprise directing.

Freddie Jackson was born August 2, 1958 in Enterprise Ala., to the late Nora and Gilbert Jackson. Freddie attended school in Enterprise.

Freddie was preceded in death by his parents, brothers - Rev. Willie (Patch) Jackson, Joe Jackson; and sisters - Eloise White, and Ruth Gordon.

Survivors include his brothers and sisters: Willie Jackson (Gail), Ann Sankey (Willie), Robert Jackson (Kelly), Mae Ola Flowers, and Daniel Jackson; uncle: Jake Jackson (Evelyn); and a host of nieces and nephews.

## EDGAR LEE SIMMONS

Mr. Edgar Lee "Ed" Simmons, age 68, a resident of Jack, Ala., died Monday, July 27, 2020, at North Okaloosa County Medical Center in Crestview, Fla. due to complications of the COVID-19 virus.

Graveside services were held Wednesday, July 29, at 2 p.m., at Rosin Ridge Cemetery with Rev. Shirley Ellis officiating. Burial followed in the Rosin Ridge Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing. Due to the ongoing concerns of the COVID-19 virus, those attending were asked to utilize the CDC recommendations for social distancing, and the use of mask. The family asked for acknowledgements of love and support be shown by a simple nod or similar gesture, and please forgo hugs and handshakes at this time.

He was preceded in death by his parents - Jeanette Smith Simmons, and Warren Randolph Simmons, along with a brother - Theron "Buddy" Simmons.

Survivors include a daughter: Shasta (Scott) Smith, Enterprise, Ala.; sons: James (Fon) Simmons, Parker, Colo., and Jonas (Amber) Simmons, Semmes, Ala.; along with brothers: Silas Simmons, and Douglas Simmons, both of Elba; sisters: Deborah Hornsby, New Brockton, Ala., and Warette "Sis" Walker, Elba; a grandson: Noah Nolin, Enterprise; and granddaughters: Jayna Simmons, and Jenny Simmons, both of Parker, Colo., and Alaina Simmons, Semmes, Ala.

## HELEN JEANETTE HODGE

Mrs. Helen Jeanette Hodge, age 74, a resident of Glenwood, Ala., died Saturday, July 25, 2020, at Jackson Hospital in Montgomery, Ala.

Graveside services will be held Thursday, July 30, 2020, at 10:30 a.m., at Zoar Community Cemetery with Rev. Lloyd Hodge officiating. Burial will follow in the Zoar Community Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing. Visitation will be at Hayes Funeral Home Thursday morning, from 9:30-10:15 a.m. Flowers will be accepted of those wishing to make memorials are asked to do so to the Zoar Community Cemetery fund.

She was preceded in death by her husband - Noah Rex Hodge, by her parents - Alice and Horace Norris, along with a brother - Rayfus Norris.

Survivors include her daughters: Reginia "Gina" (Patrick) Bowles, Manchester, Tenn., Blanche (Tony) Johnson, Orlando, Fla., and Showndra Kaye Leon, Daleville, Ala.; sons: Walter O'Neil "Tommy" (Lisa) Shiver, Cantonment, Fla., Joseph Scott "Joey" (Christine) Hodge, Jacksonville, Ark., Jonathan Rex "Jon" Hodge, Glenwood; sisters: Betty Payne, Letohatchee, Ala., Frances Lane, Talladega, Ala. and Ethell Norris Robbins, Birmingham, Ala.; brothers: Randall Norris, New Castle, Ind., and Harold "Pete" Norris, Shiloh, Ga.; along with 12 grandchildren, and 18 great-grandchildren.

## JOANN VERNON DEEN

Mrs. JoAnn Vernon Deen, age 73, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Tuesday, July 28, 2020, at her home.

In accordance with her wishes, no formal services will be held at this time. Hayes Funeral Home of Elba, Alabama is serving the Deen family.

Survivors include her husband: Plynie Allen Deen, Elba; daughters: Donna Parks, Lakeland, Fla., and Michelle Nicole

Deen, Moore Haven, Fla.; son: James R. Deen, Concord, Ga.; brother: Ray Yawn, Bartow, Fla.; along with 13 grandchildren, and many great-grandchildren.

## CORA SUE HUSSEY

Mrs. Cora Sue Hussey, age 78, a resident of the Victoria Community, died peacefully Monday, July 27, 2020, at her home.

Graveside services will be held at the Victoria Community Cemetery on Friday, July 31, 2020, beginning at 10 a.m., with Rev. Buddy Hood officiating. Burial will follow under the direction of Hayes Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hussey was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Donald Hussey; daughter, Rhonda Little; son, Stacy Hussey; a grandson, Hobi Hussey; and by her parents, Beatrice and Dalton Stewart.

Survivors include her sons: Donnie (Cara) Hussey, and Jeff (Donna) Hussey; and daughter-in-law: Teresa Hussey all of Victoria, Ala.; along with grandchildren: Drew (Emma) Little, Steven

(Emily) Little, Cheyanne Hussey, Layken Hussey, Lauren Knighten, Reid Knighten, Kerry Hussey, Kacy Hussey, Erika Hussey, and Stown Hussey; great grandson: Holton Oliver; and a brother: Reginald Stewart, Newton, Ala.

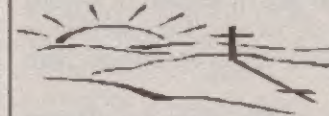
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Coping with Grief in the Summer

Summertime can be a wonderful time, but if you have recently lost a loved one, it can also be a difficult time. The summer season can be made even harder when you see lots of people outdoors having fun. You may not feel like celebrating, and you may even feel guilty about your own happiness. Here are some tips to help deal with grief in the summer:  
**Give yourself time.** If this is the first summer without your loved one, it can be tempting to try to push yourself back into the activities you used to enjoy. Summer months can be busy, but make sure to give yourself time and space to grieve as well.  
**Try out things you used to enjoy.** You may find these things are too painful at first, especially if they were activities you enjoyed with your loved one. However, if you give them a try, you may also find you still enjoy them.  
**Go outside if possible.** A dose of some sunshine and Vitamin D can help you cope with stress.  
**Try a new activity or tradition that honors your loved one.** Find a way to dedicate some time to remembering your loved one in a purposeful way. You might plan a special picnic at a spot your loved one always enjoyed visiting or plan a vacation that was important to them.  
**Remember it is still ok to have fun.** If you have experienced a loss you may feel like you will never be able to laugh or have fun again. When you do find yourself having a good time you may feel guilty, like you are dishonoring your loved one. But know it is ok to find joy and be happy. It may help to do things that bring up happy memories of your loved one, such as swimming or going for a walk on the beach.  
**Get help if you are still struggling.** If you find you can't shake your feelings of sadness at all or start to feel overwhelmed, don't be afraid to seek a counselor or support group to help. You can also seek online options if you choose.

If you would like a free funeral decisions guide, please email me at  
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## WATER

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the Elba Water and Electric Board to be the primary water provider for the Ben E. Keith distribution center contingent upon the Elba Water System not obligating itself to debt services and operational expenses with a 20-30 year loan note above revenues realized.

The motion passed unanimously with all voting in favor of Giles' motion. Johnson again stressed the importance of the growth opportunity here for Elba but said it is imperative to make sure all things 'promised' comes to fruition on this project to be sure Elba Water and Electric does not

find itself in a negative debt situation.

The Elba Industrial Development Board has a meeting set for Tuesday, Aug. 4, at 12 noon at Elba City Hall where it is believed that board will further discuss its desire to participate in this water project by providing funds.

Also during the Elba Water and Electric board meeting Monday night, Jeremy Heath was introduced as the new water department supervisor for Elba. He replaces Melissa Morris who recently resigned from the position.

## COVID

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since their last fever without the use of fever-reducing medications is reduced from 72 to 24 hours to discontinue isolation.

• Asymptomatic persons can discontinue isolation and other precautions 10 days after the date of their first positive RT-PCR test for SARS-CoV-2 RNA.

• For persons who were diagnosed with symptomatic COVID-19 and remained asymptomatic after recovery, retesting is not

recommended within 3 months after the date symptoms began for the initial COVID-19 infection.

• For persons who never developed symptoms, the date of the first positive RT-PCR test for SARS-CoV-2 RNA should be used in place of the date of symptom onset to determine length of isolation.

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# CHURCH NEWS

## Pastor's Corner

by Dr. John Granger, Director of Missions  
COFFEE COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

### Bigger not always better

Modern advertising has gotten the public accustomed to promotional words and slogans involving adjectives like tremendous, stupendous, great, bigger, better, best, etc. Often the claims are in the superlative.

Perhaps there is little cause for concern about this, but there certainly is room to remind ourselves that something doesn't have to be big, expensive, or showy in order to be important. Something does not have to be as big as the wild west or the "Big Sky" country in order to affect a person's life.

In fact, I have heard several people talk about pivotal and life changing moments in their lives based on small, relatively insignificant words or gestures. Some little deeds of kindness or words of encouragement may come at such a crucial time, they will be remembered forever.

I was thinking about this "small vs. large" debate while driving my car and listening to the radio. Some of the songs that "stick" are of great themes. "The Messiah" and "America, the Beautiful" are examples.

Other songs become hits although they are about trivia or minutiae. Examples from several types of music are:

*Chicken in the Bread Pan Pecking Out Dough*  
*Catch a Falling Star*  
*White Christmas*  
*Love Letters in the Sand*  
*Does Your Chewing Gum Lose Its Flavor?*  
*Blue Suede Shoes*

Some of these songs were popular several decades ago and still are remembered and sung.

Songs with trivial themes may lift our hearts and our spirits. They may help us bear some of the difficulties of life.

Small things also may reveal much. A wink, a smile, or a nod may tell the story.

Recently, I went to a church that has reached out to quite a few poor people. A seven year old girl was there. She talked to me about her life and her family. She already had experienced enough sadness and hurt to last anyone a lifetime.

As I looked into her angelic face, it seemed to me that her eyes told the entire story of her life. They seemed to embody her beauty and promise as well as her sadness, hurt, and deprivation.

Small things can say a lot. A little smile can gladden another person. A hug can provide a sense of love and security. A kind word can encourage and empower a person. A little good deed can enhance the life of others.

I'm not convinced that bigger is better, but even if it were, that doesn't mean that little is not good.

Offer your little efforts and blessings and see how powerful they are.

Wednesday night Bible Study returning Aug. 5th  
Basin Baptist Church invites all to  
Sunday morning worship at 10 a.m.

Basin Baptist Church, located at 9757 Hwy. 189 S., Elba, Ala., currently is holding Sunday morning worship services at 10 a.m. each Sunday.

The one service only on Sundays is due to ongoing precautions in place due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Social distancing is being observed during the services, and all in attendance are encouraged to wear a face mask entering and exiting the building.

Beginning Wednesday, Aug. 5, Basin Baptist also will return to conducting its Wednesday night Bible Study at 6:30 p.m.

All are invited to attend these services. Also, the Sunday worship services

are uploaded to the church Facebook page [each Sunday afternoon] - @ Basin Baptist Church.

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Scripture: The Lord helps His troubled people. Psalm 3: 1-8

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July Birthdays / Anniversaries

Terry C. Culver 7/19  
Beverly Daniels Hamilton 7/19  
Flora Marson 7/19  
Lois Dawson Hamilton 7/19 (in memory)  
Rell Smith 7/20  
Nathan D. Smith 7/20  
KiKi Oliver 7/21  
Melvin Cross 7/21  
Ben Rayborn 7/21  
Tim Andrews 7/22  
Kim Davis 7/22  
Min. Randy Miller 7/22  
Patrice Blue Pennix 7/22

\*\* Giving In To Pressure

An old story tells about Jim, a soldier who was sent off to battle. He left behind a wife whose talent seemed to be advising him about what he ought to do, how he ought to do it, and berating him if he didn't do it (or do it in the way she had suggested). It was what some call "nagging". Secretly, Jim felt good about getting away from her barrage of counsel. While Jim was at the battle-front, he received letter after letter from his wife advising him, "try to get assigned away from the front lines," "Be sure you don't get captured," "Watch out so that you don't get shot," and so on. Finally, when Jim had become fed up with all of this advice from someone who had no idea what life in combat was like, he wrote his wife a letter. It contained two sentences: "Please stop sending me these nagging letters. Just let me enjoy this war in peace."

Samson's relationship with Delilah may have resembled the story of Jim. However, during a time of war with the Philistines, Delilah's nagging was not to assure Samson's safety, but to find a way to destroy him. When he finally gave in to her, the results were disastrous. Like Samson, we face pressure from evil forces on a daily basis. And, like Samson, when we give in to the pressure to do wrong, the consequences can be devastating. — C.R.B.

Question / Answer Section  
Q/A for the Week of 7-23-2020

Fill in the Blanks

Q: Lot fled from Sodom to Zoar. Genesis 19: 23  
Q: Hannah named her son Samuel. 1 Samuel 1: 20  
Q: Jesus said "to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little." Luke 7: 47

Thought to Remember

My talent is not really mine; it's God's

Questions for the Week of 7-30-2020

True or False

Q: Due to His promise to Jacob, God delivered Lot?  
Q: Eli mistakenly thought Hannah was drunk?  
Q: God guided Israel through the wilderness, with miraculous signs?

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue



AA/NA meetings

Encourage anyone who needs the meetings to attend. These meetings are held on Tuesdays and Fridays at 7 p.m. at Elba Church of Christ, 715 Troy Road, Elba.

**Fear not,**  
**I am always with you.**  
-Jesus

## Church Directory

<p><b>ABOUNDING GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH</b> Rocky Pearce, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.</b> Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m. Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sam Self, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>BETHEL AME CHURCH</b> Rev. Deborah A. Butler, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Class . . . 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Greg Cotter, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Disciple Train . . . 5:30 p.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Tom Senn, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Robert Davis, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST</b> Rev. Remona Smith Church Service . . . 9:00 a.m. 2nd &amp; 4th Sundays Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. 1st, 3rd &amp; 5th Sundays Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. 2nd &amp; 4th Sundays</p> <p><b>CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH</b> Larry Mills, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH</b> Diana White, Pastor Bible Study . . . 9:00 a.m. Fellowship . . . 9:45 a.m. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal and Children's Activities) . . . 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>DAMASCUS BAPT. CHURCH</b> Steve Watson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Dale Morgan, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> Phillip Box, Minister Bible Study . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD</b> David Noble, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY</b> H.L. Buckner, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Night . . . 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>ELBADELIVERANCE TABERNACLE</b> Allen Richards, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Dwight Johnson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> Steve Reneau, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Services . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>ELBA ZION BAPT. CHURCH</b> Lovell Martin, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST</b> Timothy Williams, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>FAIRVIEW BAPT CHURCH</b> Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH</b> Phillip Adeock, Pastor Sunday Morning . . . 9:45 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD - KINSTON</b> Denny Bradshaw, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . . 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Scott Donaldson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH</b> Edward E. Drake, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH</b> Overseers - Bro Billy Berry Sat. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Sun. Service . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 4:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Willie L. Peterson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.</p> <p><b>HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC</b> W. K. Ellison, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>HAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> Rev. Steve Reneau, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 8:45 a.m.</p> <p><b>HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Shirley Ellis, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH</b> Mark Cooper, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:30 p.m. Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Wesley D. Ard, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting . . . 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>INO BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Garry Winstead, Pastor Sunday School . . . 8:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Matthew Morris, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service . . . 7:15 p.m.</p> <p><b>KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH</b> Ben Fussy, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>LIVING WORD CHURCH</b> Derrick Stinson, Pastor Saturday Service . . . 9:45 a.m. Sunday Service . . . 10:30 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> Greg Hanchey, Minister Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>LOVE'S WAY CHURCH</b> Charles Jones, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH</b> J. R. Parks, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. 1st &amp; 3rd Sundays</p> <p><b>MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Dewey Emfinger, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>MT. OLIVE BAPT. CHURCH</b> Olan Strickland, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Kevin Byrd, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.</p> <p><b>MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Cathedral of the Holy Spirit NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL.</b> Linda Williams, Pastor Sunday . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Even. . . 7:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - ENTERPRISE</b> W. K. Ellison, Pastor Morning Worship . . . 9:00 a.m. Evening Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening . . . 7:00 p.m. Friday Evening . . . 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>NEWBIA BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Will Jordan, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Disciple Train . . . 5:00 p.m. Evening Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Services 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>NEW BROOKTON METH-ODIST</b> Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Terry Godwin, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Bible Study . . . 5:00 p.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Randall Pearson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>NEW GLORIOUS CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST</b> James Starks Jr., Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Bib Stud Wed . . . 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH</b> Brad Sasser, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Even. Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>NEW HOPE BAPT CHURCH</b> Lanny Shepard, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST</b> Loreal Flowers, Minister Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. 2nd &amp; 4th Sundays</p>	<p><b>OAK GROVE BAPT. CHURCH</b> Julian Mitchell, Pastor 1st - 4th Sun. Morn. Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.</p> <p><b>OLD TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> Lee Jones, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.</p> <p><b>PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON</b> Terry McCrummen, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Worship . . . 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>PRAYSE &amp; GLORY WORSHIP CENTER</b> Roy L. Turner, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH</b> A. R. Williams, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m. 2nd &amp; 4th Sundays</p> <p><b>ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>SHADY GROVE AME CHURCH</b> James Boots, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 4:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST</b> Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Noon Worship . . . 12:00 p.m. Even. Service . . . 7:00 p.m. Youth Ser. Mon . . . 7:00 p.m. Wed Bible Class . . . 7:00 p.m. Fri Missionary Ser. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>THE WAY OF HOLINESS CHURCH, Elba</b> Max Reed, Minister Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m. Tuesday Bible Class . . . 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH</b> C.P. Davis, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service . . . 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH</b> Donald Mills, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Shayne Allen, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:45 p.m. Wed. Worship . . . 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>VICTORY TABERNACLE</b> Ruby Lawson, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Ken Wilson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Tommy Green, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Kenneth Hagler, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Donnie Marler, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH</b> Mike Medley, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Cary Maulden, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>ZOAR COMMUNITY CHURCH</b> John Isaacs, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.</p>
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## LIFESTYLES

## Deadline to register to vote for upcoming municipal elections is Monday, Aug. 10th

Secretary of State John H. Merrill extended the opportunity for anyone concerned about COVID-19 to apply for and cast an absentee ballot for the upcoming municipal elections.

At the request of the Alabama League of Municipalities on behalf of all Alabama municipalities scheduled to hold an election in 2020, Merrill authorized anyone concerned about contracting or spreading COVID-19 to cast an absentee ballot in order to avoid the polls on Election Day.

Any qualified voter who determines it is impossible or unreasonable to vote at their polling place shall be eligible to check the box on the absentee ballot application that is most applicable to that individual. State law allows the Secretary of State to issue absentee voting guidance during declared states of emergency, allowing Secretary Merrill to encourage voters to check the box which reads as follows (in the case none of the boxes are appropriate): "I have

a physical illness or infirmity which prevents my attendance at the polls. [ID REQUIRED]"

"We appreciate the Secretary of State's Office collaborating with ALM to address these extraordinary circumstances as we head into municipal elections," said Greg Cochran, League of Municipalities Executive Director. "Ensuring all Alabamians have a voice through their vote is imperative to the success of our state."

**For the August 25 municipal elections, the deadline to register to vote is Monday, August 10, the deadline to submit an absentee ballot application is Thursday, August 20, and the deadline to hand-deliver an absentee ballot is the close of business Monday, August 24. If an absentee ballot is returned by mail, it must be postmarked by August 24 and received by noon on August 25.**

If necessary, runoff elections will be held on Tuesday, October 6.



**FOGGY BOTTOM CRUISERS DONATE TO ELBA PUBLIC LIBRARY...** On Friday, July 24, members of the Foggy Bottom Cruisers car club delivered a check to the Elba Public Library totaling \$3,278 to help the library continue to provide reading materials and other services to the people of Elba and the surrounding communities. The funds were raised by the Foggy Bottom Cruisers via the Foggy Bottom Cruisin' Car Show held July 11th in Elba where more than 100 cars were on display for the event. Kenneth Calhoun, Foggy Bottom Cruisin' event organizer, said the club was able to increase its donation this year to the library because of increased support by the community's people and businesses this year. He said that support helped offset some overall costs for the car club, which in turn generated more proceeds to be delivered to the Elba Public Library as all proceeds from the car show are earmarked each year to the library. Above, Calhoun presents the check to Elba Public Library director Jennifer Amlong. Also pictured are Foggy Bottom Cruisers members Larry Goodson, Lee Stricklin, and Greg Corder.



**The CCERA [Coffee County Education Retirees Association] held its regular meeting** March 17, 2020, at Po-Folk's Restaurant in Enterprise. The meeting was called to order by President Barbara Arnold. She welcomed everyone and made comments concerning the current issue affecting the whole world, COVID-19. AERA President, Dr. Stafford Thompson, provided meditation, gave the invocation, and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Special guest, Cornelius Burrows, owner of Burrows' Tax and Accounting, shared a wealth of information about "Safety for Your Dollars." He also answered questions that members had concerning finances. Above, Cornelius Burrows is pictured with CCERA president Barbara Arnold.

Article submitted by Secretary Barbara Cole

## ROCC endorses free "Help Kids Cope" app covering various disasters

The Recovery Organization of Coffee County (ROCC) was established as a result of the aftermath of the devastating tornado that destroyed a significant portion of Enterprise.

The ROCC has not forgotten this terrible tragedy.

Since then, the ROCC has been active with disasters such as the flood in Elba in 2015, as well as conducting sheltering operations with CERT volunteers in Coffee County. The purpose of the ROCC is to coordinate volunteer efforts and donated resources to address the unmet needs of citizens of Coffee County. This effort includes all cities and towns in Coffee County.

Under the direction of the ROCC Board, with advice from Coffee County Emergency Management Agency and Director James Brown, the ROCC meets quarterly to stay updated and prepared.

Although the above-mentioned purpose sounds like a reactive mission, the ROCC sees their mission just as much pro-active one. As such, ROCC would like to assist families as well as individuals in their preparation for a disaster as well as after a disaster.

The University of California, Los Angeles, has developed a free app, titled "Help Kids Cope," which is available as a free app for download. In the app store, the app is light blue in color, with a symbol of a heart with a bandage over it. The app covers preparation, evacuation, aftermath ac-



## Help Kids Cope

University of California, Los Angeles

★★★★ 4.7, 6 Ratings

Free

tions, and many other items for seven different disaster situations including earthquakes, severe weather, floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, tsunamis, and wildfires.

While the "Help Kids Cope" app may indicate that one can only get this app for the iPhone and iPad, the ROCC has found this can be secured on other devices such as the Android. The ROCC recommends anyone

interested in preparedness to take a look at the app.

ROCC's desire is to provide individuals and families any tool it can that may help in times of disaster. Adults and children can both benefit from this app.

To download the app, visit <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/help-kids-cope/id1069028637>.

For questions contact the ROCC Counseling Center

Director, Jim Duhaime, at (334) 494-2959 or Coffee County EMA at (334) 894-5375.

## Elba Public Library open by appointment:

The Elba Public Library is open by appointment only. Items being returned should still be placed in drop box located out in front of the library building.

There is a 30-minute time limit being exercised. Call 334-897-6921 for availability. Temporary library hours are Monday and Tuesday 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.; Wednesday 8 a.m. until 2 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

The Library assists citizens Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. with filling out Census reports.

editor of The Elba Clipper.

"I am especially excited about the question and answer portion of the forum as it will allow us, as citizens, to see how each candidate responds under pressure."

The forum is set for five days prior to the election on Tuesday, Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>. Hodge said she believes the event could be a great opportunity for citizens to listen to what each candidate has to say and how he/she responds to impromptu questions thus helping the voters to make a more informed decision on Elba's next mayor.

## Coffee County Schools assistance in identifying all persons with disabilities

The Coffee County School System is in the process of identifying all persons with disabilities, ages 3-21 years, who are not enrolled in an educational setting, and all 0-3 year old children with disabilities.

Parents of a child with disabilities, or those who know of someone who is disabled, are asked to contact the principal of the local school or the special education coordinator's office at the Coffee County Board of Education at 334-897-5016.

It is important that all persons with disabilities be identified so appropriate services can be provided.

Contacts for the Coffee County School System include:

Tami Crosby, Special Services Coordinator, 334-

**The Elba Industrial Development Board will meet Tuesday, Aug. 4, at 12 noon at Elba City Hall.**

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## AUGUST 25

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### NOTICE OF COMPLETION

McClain Contracting Company, Inc. has completed the contract requirements for **City of Elba Site Improvements for Hawkins Williams Park LWCF Project No. 17-LW-1047.** ANY PERSONS HAVING A CLAIM FOR LABOR, MATERIALS, OR EQUIPMENT AGAINST THIS PROJECT SHOULD NOTIFY DeAnn Grantham, P.E., Southern Engineering Solutions, 201 E. Troy Street, Andalusia, AL; 334.222.1849 or City of Elba, 200 Buford Street, Elba, Alabama; 334.897.2333.

Contractor Contact: McClain Contracting Company, Inc. 105 Choctaw Street Andalusia, AL 36420 7/9,16,23,&30-chg.

### STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF COFFEE

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage and security agreement executed by ETHEL S. MOBLEY and JAMES A. MOBLEY, a married couple, on the 14th day of April 2014, to 21ST MORTGAGE CORPORATION, as recorded in A/OFFR Book 152A, Page 202, in the office of the Probate Judge of Coffee County, Alabama; 21ST MORTGAGE CORPORATION, as Mortgagee, by reason of such default having declared all of the indebtedness secured by said mortgage and security agreement due and payable and such default continuing, notice is hereby given that, acting under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and security agreement, and as authorized by Section 7-9A-604(a)(2) of the Code of Alabama of 1975 as amended, 21ST MORTGAGE CORPORATION, as Mortgagee, will sell at public outcry, for cash to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door, in the City of Elba, Coffee County, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on August 5, 2020, the following described real and personal property situated in Coffee County, Alabama, to-wit:

One lot or parcel of land containing one acre, more or less, lying and being situated in the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 6, Township 7 North, Range 22 East, in Coffee County, Alabama, and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the East right of way of Alabama Highway No. 125 (Tarentum-Victoria) and the North line of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 6, Township 7 North, Range 22 East; thence South 31° 30' West 160.0 feet along said highway right of way; thence South 65° 51' East 205.7 feet; thence North 31° 30' East 260.0 feet to the forty line; thence South 89° 44' West 240.0 feet along the forty line to the point of beginning.

**LESS AND EXCEPT:** Beginning at the point of intersection of the East right of way line of Alabama Highway No. 125 and the North line of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4, Section 6, Township 7 North, Range 22 East, thence S 69° 09' E a distance of 207.6 feet to a point; thence N 31° 30' E a distance of 88.0 feet to a point on said forty line; thence S 89° 44' W along said forty line a distance of 240.0 feet to the point of beginning. Said lot or parcel of land lying and being situated in the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4, Section 6, Township 7 North, Range 22 East,

Coffee County, Alabama, and containing 0.21 acre, more or less.

**INCLUDING** a security interest in one (1) 2014 Cavalier Dynasty manufactured home, Serial No. CCV071513ALAB; together with the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging and all fixtures now attached to and used in connection with the premises herein described. This property will be sold on an "as is, where is" basis, subject to any easements, encumbrances, and exceptions reflected in the mortgage and those contained in the records of the office of the Judge of Probate of the county where the above-described property is situated. This property will be sold without warranty or recourse, expressed or implied as to title, use and/or enjoyment and will be sold subject to the right of redemption of all parties entitled thereto.

Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process.

Said sale will be made subject to any existing Federal Tax Lien, if any, and/or Special Assessments, if any, which might adversely affect the title to the subject property. Said sale will be made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by the above-described mortgage, and the proceeds thereof will be applied as provided by the terms of the said mortgage. This sale is subject to postponement or cancellation; contact Margery Oglesby at the phone number shown below prior to attending the sale.

Kristofor D. Sodergren  
Attorney for 21st Mortgage Corporation  
ROSEN HARWOOD, P.A.  
2200 Jack Warner Pkwy Ste 200  
P.O. Box 2727  
Tuscaloosa, AL 35403  
(205) 344-5000

7-16,23 &amp; 30-chg

**"Notice of Contract Completion: Donald Smith Company, Inc., 746 East Main Street, Headland, AL 36345** hereby gives notice of completion of a contract with Jack Water System, Inc. for construction of Contract No. 2, Water Supply Well Rehabilitation. This notice will appear for four consecutive weeks beginning July 16 and ending August 6, 2020. All claims in connection with this project should be filed during this period with the Engineer, David Hicks and Associates, 406 Dothan Road, Abbeville, Alabama 36310."

7/16,23,30 &amp; 8/6-chg

### Notice of Completion-Pike Road Electric Co., Inc.

Pike Road Electric Co., Inc. has completed the contract requirements for the **New Football Field Lighting at Zion Chapel High School for the Coffee County Board of Education Project No. 19-297** and have made request for final settlement of said Contract. All persons having any claim for labor, materials, or otherwise in connection with this project should notify McKee and Associates Architects, 631 South Hull Street, Montgomery, Alabama 36104, 334-834-9933; Pike Road Electric Co., Inc. 367 Kershaw Industrial Boulevard, Montgomery, Alabama 36117, 334-281-0909 7/16,23,30& 8/6-pd.

**IN THE MATTER OF LOUISE M. NICHOLSON, Deceased.**

**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION**  
CASE NO: PC-2020-037

### NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Letters of Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020, by the Honorable Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020.

/s/ Claude Ronald Nicholson

Personal Representative /s/ James Richard Nicholson

Personal Representative 7/16,23&30-pd.

**IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION**

**IN RE: THE ESTATE OF Catherine West DECEASED**  
CASE NO. PC 2017-019

### NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to Timeka Shaw, Personal Representative on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson  
Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate  
7/23,30&8/6-pd

**IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION**

**IN RE: THE ESTATE OF William Jonathan Jones DECEASED**  
CASE NO: PC 2020-013

### NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Carla Jones Walker, Personal Representative on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson  
Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate  
7/23,30&8/6-pd.

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Don't Forget to...



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Governor Kay Ivey announces statewide online driver license renewal extension

Governor Kay Ivey last week announced Alabama driver license holders would now be allowed to renew online a second time during a 12-year period.

Until now, driver license holders were limited to one online renewal every eight years. As part of the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency's commitment to public safety and in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the agency's Driver License Division has temporarily expanded its online renewal process at [www.alea.gov](http://www.alea.gov). Customers who renewed their Alabama driver licenses using ALEA's online system prior to the pandemic may now renew a second time during the next four years.

has

presented many challenges in our daily lives. As we work tirelessly to mitigate the spread of the virus in our state and to offer some relief to our citizens, I am proud that ALEA will be enabling more online driver license renewals," Governor Ivey said. "In Alabama, we want to lift burdens and ensure the health and safety of every Alabamian. This extension is certainly an effort to help do just that."

Since COVID-19 began to affect Alabama citizens, ALEA has continuously examined and modified its Driver License Division operations to ensure the health and safety of both its customers and employees.

ALEA's Secretary Hal Taylor said, "We are pleased to offer this extension to ease the minds

### Unsolicited seed packages from China reportedly delivered to Alabama residents

The Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries (ADAI) has received multiple reports of "unsolicited" seeds from China being delivered to residents across the state through the U.S. Postal Service (USPS). The packing is often mislabeled as jewelry.

Residents from several other states including, Arizona, Delaware, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Ohio, Tennessee, Utah, Virginia, and Washington State have reported receiving suspicious packages of seeds. This practice is known as agricultural smuggling.

"We urge all residents to be on the lookout for similar packages," said Alabama Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries Rick Tate. "These seeds could be invasive or be harmful to livestock."

The ADAI requests recip-

ients of unsolicited seeds to do the following:

1). DO NOT plant the seeds, and if they are in a sealed package, do not open the sealed package. DO NOT dispose of the seeds.

2). Report suspicious seed deliveries to USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) and keep the seeds and packaging until USDA provides further instructions. These items may be used as evidence.

Call 1-800-877-3835 or email to [SITC.Mail@aphis.usda.gov](mailto:SITC.Mail@aphis.usda.gov)

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**IN THE MATTER OF EUGENE GRANTHAM, Deceased.**

**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ALBA DIVISION CASE NO: PC-2020-043**

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

Letters of Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 23rd day of July,

2020, by the Honorable Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this 23rd day of July, 2020.

/s/ MARY K. GRANTHAM

Personal Representative

7/30, 8-6, 13-pd

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS REBUILD ALABAMA PROJECT NO: RA-CCP 16-04-2020 COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

Sealed bids will be received by the Coffee County Commission at the Office Complex in New Brockton, Alabama, until 9:00 A.M., August 19, 2020, and at that time publicly open for constructing the following:

**RESURFACING AND TRAFFIC STRIPE ON CR-110 FROM THE INTERSECTION AT SR-125 TO CR-105 COFFEE COUNTY, AL**

The bracket estimate on this project is from \$475,000 to \$525,000. This bracket range is shown only to provide general financial information to contractors and bonding companies concerning the project's complexity and size. This bracket should not be used in preparing a bid, nor will this bracket have any bearing on the decision to award the contract.

The entire project shall be completed in TWENTY (20) working days.

A cashier's check (drawn on an Alabama bank) or bid bond payable to the Coffee County Commission for an amount of 5% of bid (maximum - \$10,000) must accompany each bid as evidence of good faith.

Proposals will be issued only to and accepted from contractors on the Alabama Department of Transportation's (ALDOT) List of Pre-Qualified Contractors. The award of the contract will be made only to a contractor who has a valid certification of qualification from ALDOT as required by State Law and will not be made to any bidder who is considered by ALDOT to be disqualified from bidding, or is an affiliate of or has a corporate officer, director, or principal owner who is a corporate officer, director, or owner of, another person who is presently disqualified by ALDOT.

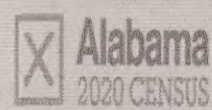
Plans, Specifications and Proposals may be obtained at the Coffee County Engineer's Office, Highway 84, New Brockton, Alabama from 6:30 A.M. until 5:00 P.M., Monday through Thursday (telephone 334/894-6112).

Dean Smith, Chairman  
Coffee County Commission

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### PUBLIC RELEASE

Coffee County Schools today announced its policy for free and reduced-price meals for children served in schools under the National School Lunch Program and/or School Breakfast Program. Local school officials have adopted the following household size and income criteria for determining eligibility:

Children need healthy meals to learn. Coffee County Schools offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs **\$1.00** lunch costs **\$2.25**. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Reduced price is **\$3.30** for breakfast and **\$4.40** for lunch. Below are some common questions and answers to help you with the application process.

#### 1. WHO CAN GET FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS?

- All children in households receiving benefits from Alabama SNAP, the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) or Alabama TANF, are eligible for free meals.
- Foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals.
- Children participating in their school's Head Start program are eligible for free meals.
- Children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant are eligible for free meals.
- Children who are directly certified are eligible to receive free meals.
- When known to Coffee County Schools, households will be notified of their children's eligibility for free meals based on their participation (or a household member's participation) in the: o Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP); Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR); or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), if the State program meets Federal standards.
- When known to Coffee County Schools, households will be notified of any child's eligibility for free meals based on the individual child's designation as Other Source Categorically Eligible, as defined by law. Children are determined Other Source Categorically Eligible if they are: Homeless, Migrant, Runaway, A foster child, or Enrolled in Head Start or an eligible pre-kindergarten program (see: SP 40-2013: Q&As Regarding the Participation of Head Start Programs in Child Nutrition Programs, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/qas-regarding-participation-head-start-programs-child-nutrition-programs-0>).

#### INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES 2020-2021

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ELIGIBILITY SCALE FOR FREE MEALS/MILK				HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ELIGIBILITY SCALE FOR REDUCED-PRICE MEALS/MILK			
	PER YEAR	PER MONTH	EVERY TWO WEEKS	PER WEEK		PER YEAR	PER MONTH	EVERY TWO WEEKS	PER WEEK
1	16,588	1,383	638	319	1	23,606	1,968	908	454
2	22,412	1,868	862	431	2	31,894	2,658	1,227	614
3	28,236	2,353	1,086	543	3	40,182	3,349	1,546	773
4	34,060	2,839	1,310	655	4	48,470	4,040	1,865	933
5	39,884	3,324	1,534	767	5	56,758	4,730	2,183	1,092
6	45,708	3,809	1,758	879	6	65,046	5,421	2,502	1,251
7	51,532	4,295	1,982	991	7	73,334	6,112	2,821	1,411
8	57,356	4,780	2,206	1,103	8	81,622	6,802	3,140	1,570
FOR EACH ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER					FOR EACH ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER				

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2. HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILDREN QUALIFY AS HOMELESS, MIGRANT, OR RUNAWAY? Do the members of your household lack a permanent address? Are you staying together in a shelter, hotel, or other temporary housing arrangement? Does your family relocate on a seasonal basis? Are any children living with you who have chosen to leave their prior family or household? If you believe children in your household meet these descriptions and haven't been told your children will get free meals, please call or e-mail your child's school.

3. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH CHILD? No. Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to your child's school.

4. SHOULD I FILL OUT AN APPLICATION IF I RECEIVED A LETTER THIS SCHOOL YEAR SAYING MY CHILDREN ARE ALREADY APPROVED FOR FREE MEALS? No, but please read the letter you got carefully and follow the instructions. If any children in your household were missing from your eligibility notification, contact your child's school immediately.

5. CAN I APPLY ONLINE? No, an online application is not available at this time.

6. MY CHILD'S APPLICATION WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT A NEW ONE? Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for the first few days of this school year, through September 21, 2020. You must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year. If you do not send in a new application that is approved by the school or you have not been notified that your child is eligible for free meals, your child will be charged the full price for meals.

7. I GET WIC. CAN MY CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS? Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please send in an application.

8. WILL THE INFORMATION I GIVE BE CHECKED? Yes. In accordance with program regulations school officials will be verifying the income of some households at some time during the school year. Selected households will be requested to provide income documentation in order to continue receiving free and reduced-price meals.

9. IF I DON'T QUALIFY NOW, MAY I APPLY LATER? Yes, you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.

10. WHAT IF I DISAGREE WITH THE SCHOOL'S DECISION ABOUT MY APPLICATION? You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: Kevin Killingsworth, 334-897-5106, 400 Reddoch Hill Road, Elba, Alabama 36323, [killingsworthk@coffeecounty.k12.al.us](mailto:killingsworthk@coffeecounty.k12.al.us).

11. MAY I APPLY IF SOMEONE IN MY HOUSEHOLD IS NOT A U.S. CITIZEN? Yes. You, your children, or other household members do not have to be U.S. citizens to apply for free or reduced price meals.

12. WHAT IF MY INCOME IS NOT ALWAYS THE SAME? List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.

13. WHAT IF SOME HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS HAVE NO INCOME TO REPORT? Household members may not receive some types of income we ask you to report on the application or may not receive income at all. Whenever this happens, please write a 0 in the field. However, if any income fields are left empty or blank, those will also be counted as zeroes. Please be careful when leaving income fields blank, as we will assume you meant to do so.

14. DO I HAVE TO PROVIDE MY SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER? Only the last 4 digits of the social security number of the household's primary wage earner or another adult household member (or an indication of "none") is required.

15. MAY I DECLINE BENEFITS? Yes. Households notified of their children's eligibility must contact Coffee County Schools or the school the child attends if they choose to decline the free meal benefits.

16. WHAT IF ALL CHILDREN ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS ARE NOT ON THE NOTICE OF ELIGIBILITY LETTER? If children or households receive benefits under Assistance Programs or Other Source Categorically Eligible Programs and are not listed on the notice of eligibility and are not notified by the school of their free meal benefits, the parent or guardian should contact the school or should submit an income application.

17. WE ARE IN THE MILITARY. DO WE REPORT OUR INCOME DIFFERENTLY? Your basic pay and cash bonuses must be reported as income. If you get any cash value allowances for off-base housing, food, or clothing, it must also be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income. Any additional combat pay resulting from deployment is also excluded from income.

18. WHAT IF THERE ISN'T ENOUGH SPACE ON THE APPLICATION FOR MY FAMILY? List any additional household members on a separate piece of paper and attach it to your application. Contact your child's school to receive a second application.

19. MY FAMILY NEEDS MORE HELP. ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAMS WE MIGHT APPLY FOR? To find out how to apply for Alabama SNAP or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office.

If you have other questions or need help, call 334-897-5016.

Sincerely,  
Gray Harrison, CNP Director

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## SPORTS NEWS

Views From  
The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

We got our grandson Lawson a new game for his 'switch' last week and after one day was already telling me how hard it was. The last game we got lasted one week before he beat all levels and put in in his storage case. So, at least this game may last a little longer and challenge his video game skills.

## For what it is worth....

\*\*\* I watched last week's press conference out of Montgomery on the AHSAA's 'back to play' decision for high school sports, and while the plan has drawn the ire of some of the state's editorial writers, one thing that was clear by listening to the news conference was that all decisions discussed were based upon current health conditions across the state. AHSAA executive director Steve Savarese was asked by a reporter about the future of winter and spring sports, and his answer was simply "Your guess is as good as mine." I applaud the AHSAA for making a decision, and whether you like it or not, at least it made a decision and admitted that more changes could occur in future weeks. We can't just sit on our hands hoping the virus will disappear.... let's move ahead slowly and learn as we go.

\*\*\* New Brockton High School officials announced last week that the Gamecocks would play their regular season football games at Bates Memorial Stadium, in Enterprise, until its \$1 million stadium renovation is completed. The renovations at Gamecock Stadium include new home bleachers, ticket booths, restrooms and concession stands, but are behind schedule to the weather and health issues, resulting in the move. Bates Memorial was the longtime home of the Enterprise Wildcats, is now the home of youth football leagues in the city, and is still one of the top stadiums in the state. Since at least four games are expected to be played at the site, it looks like neighbors in the area will get to find out how the Gamecocks crows sound in 'The Hole.'

\*\*\* The AL.com website recently released its picks of the 'Top 20' most dominant high school football teams of the past decade, and while Hoover, Fyffe and Leeds all put two teams on the list, coming in at #6 were the 20012 Brantley Bulldogs. The Bulldogs, coached by David Lowery, posted a 15-0 record in the 2012 season and won the 1A state championship, defeating Marion County 33-0 in the state finals. The Bulldogs outscored their 15 victims 730-47 for an average margin of victory of 45.6 points per game. Their opponents boasted a 90-81 record during the season, which proved the team didn't just line up against a bunch of weak teams, and was an easy choice for the sportswriters to include in the list, despite being only a 1A team. Key players on the team included OL Taylor Driggers, LB Adrian Howard, WR O.J. Guice, DL Ryan Harris, OL Selven Burnett, and DB Terrence Bogen.

\*\*\* I watched Chipper Jones debut as an ESPN baseball commentator last week in an exhibition game between the Cubs and White Sox, and had to turn the game off in the fourth inning due to his lack of knowledge, his monotone voice and his complete lack of skills. It was true he was doing the game from his home for health reasons, but that should have made him more comfortable and resulted in a much better performance. I kept waiting for someone to tell him to turn up his microphone so that he could at least be heard, but he just struggled for all four innings and was simply horrible. Chipper is one of my all-time favorite players, but may be the worst TV commentator I have ever heard. Sorry!

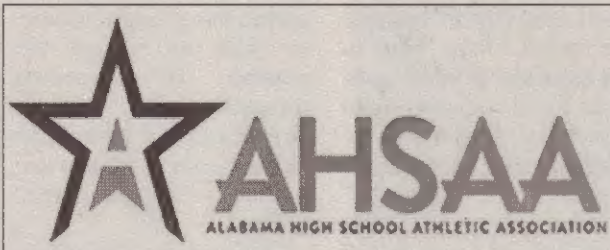
\*\*\* The new NCAA policy to allow student-athletes to profit from their name, image and likeness has created in a new position on many athletic staffs. Troy University announced last week that it had hired a 'branding' expert to help Trojan student-athletes 'build their future brand' and to teach them to build a personal brand and reputation to help them set up a profitable life after graduation. I guess before long the players' jerseys will include logos, much like pro golfers, and the student-athletes may charge the school for putting their name on the back of the jersey. I guess in the years to come there will be an 'I' in team.

\*\*\* The Los Angeles Dodgers signed Mookie Betts to a 12-year, \$365 million contract extension last week, making the outfielder the highest paid player in the history of Major League Baseball. Betts had signed a one-year contract with the Dodgers for a mere \$29 million during the off-season after turning down a 10-year, \$300 million offer from the Boston Red Sox, and it looks like the decision to wait paid off as his new contract with the Dodgers included a \$65 million signing bonus. Betts batted .295 with 40 doubles and 29 home-runs in his final season with the Red Sox, and now doesn't have to worry about anything but playing baseball until 2032. If Betts plays in all 162 games next season he will make almost \$188,000 per game. The team owners in professional sports have gone totally crazy!

\*\*\* Major League Baseball opened its 60-game regular season last week with cardboard cutouts in the bleachers, but some of the excitement of the start of the season was overshadowed by the news that the playoffs would be expanded from 10 to 16 teams, which means over half the teams in the leagues will advance to post-season play. All six division winners and runners-up will move on and be seeded on their record against division rivals, while the seventh and eighth seeds will be based on total record in the season. All first round matchups will be a best-of-three series, with all games being played at the home of the higher seeded team. The #1 seed will play the #8 seed, and so on, and the league put an extra \$50 million in the players' pool to make the change more attractive. The season is already going to be like none ever before, and now the playoffs will join the changes. It's going to be quite a season!

## For 2020 high school season

## AHSAA ready to take the field



October 14 to October 15

Approved paid vacation for unused dates for AHSAA staff members

## 2020 FOOTBALL RULE MODIFICATIONS

In support of the NFHS Guidance for Opening Up High School Athletics and Activities, the NFHS Football Editorial Committee offers this document for state associations to consider whether any possible rules could be altered for the 2020 football season. The modifications outlined in this document are meant to decrease potential exposure to respiratory droplets by encouraging social distancing, limiting participation in administrative tasks to essential personnel and allowing for appropriate protective equipment.

1. Team Box (Rule 1-2-3g) • The team (players only) box will be extended on both sides of the field to the 10-yard lines, (coaches will continue to be restricted from 25 to 25-yard lines), in order for more social-distancing space for teams.

2. Face Masks [Rule 1-5-1a, 1-5-3c (4)] • Cloth face coverings are permissible. • Plastic shields covering the entire face (unless integrated into the face mask and attached to the helmet and clear without the presence of any tint) shall NOT be allowed during the contest.

3. Gloves (Rule 1-5-2b) • Gloves are permissible but still must comply with Rule 1-5-2b by meeting either the NOCSAE Standard or the SFA Specification.

4. Charged Time-Outs and Authorized Conferences (Rules 2-6-2, 3-5-3, 3-5-8) • Charged time-outs will be extended to a maximum of two minutes in length. • It will be permissible for more than one coach to be involved in the conference and for technology (headsets) to be used.

5. Intermission between periods and after scoring (Rule 3-5-7) • The intermission between periods (first/second and third/fourth) as well as the time period following a try, successful field goal or safety and prior to the succeeding free kick will also be extended to a maximum of two minutes.

6. Coin Toss Captain (3-2-2) • Only one captain from each team may be present at the coin toss with the Referee and Umpire. The same procedure will be utilized for overtime.

The following are NFHS best practices

1. Individuals should maintain social distancing of 6 feet at all times while in the team box.

2. Individuals should not share uniforms, towels and other apparel and equipment.

3. The ball should be cleaned and sanitized throughout the contest as recommended by the ball manufacturer. Ball handlers should maintain social distancing of 6 feet at all times during the contest.

4. Officials may use an electronic whistle and wear cloth face coverings.

5. All individuals, in-

cluding each player and official when brought out on the field during time outs, should have their own beverage container.

6. Suspend handshakes during the coin toss, pregame and postgame.

7. Players, coaches, team personnel and game administration officials should wash and sanitize their hands as often as possible.

8. Gloves and cloth face coverings are permissible for all coaches, team staff and game administration officials.

9. Non-essential personnel should be restricted from the field during the contest.

10. If available, dressing facilities for game officials and teams should be large enough for them to use social distancing protocols and should be properly cleaned and sanitized prior to their arrival.

## 2020-21 Volleyball Rules Modifications

In support of the Guidance for Opening Up High School Athletics and Activities, the NFHS Volleyball Rules Committee offers this document for state associations to consider whether any possible rules could be altered for the 2020-21 season. The modifications outlined in this document are meant to decrease potential exposure to respiratory droplets by encouraging social distancing, limiting participation in administrative tasks to essential personnel and allowing for appropriate protective equipment

1. Pre-match Conference (1-2-4a; 1-6-2; 1-6-3; 2-1-10; 5-4-1h, k; 5-6-1; 7-1-1; 7-1-1 PENALTIES 1; 9-1a; 12-2-3) Limit attendees to one coach from each team, first referee and second referee. Move the location of the pre-match conference to center court with one coach and one referee positioned on each side of the net. All four individuals maintain a social distance of 3 to 6 feet. Suspend the use of the coin toss to determine serve/receive. The visiting team will serve first in set 1 and alternate first serve for the remaining non-deciding sets. Suspend roster submission at the pre-match conference. Rosters are submitted directly to the officials' table before the 10-minute mark. Team Benches (5-4-4b, 9-1-2, 9-1-2 NOTE, 9-3-3b) Suspend the protocol of teams switching benches between sets. In the event there is a clear and distinct disadvantage, teams may switch sides, observing all social distancing protocols. Officials will determine if a disadvantage is present. Limit bench personnel to observe social distancing of 3 to 6 feet. o Deciding Set

Procedures [1-2-4b, 5-4-4c, 5-5-3b (26), 9-2-3c] Move the location of the deciding set coin toss to center court with team captains and the second referee maintaining the appropriate social distance of 3 to 6 feet. A coin toss, called by the home team, will decide serve/receive. Suspend the protocol of teams switching benches before a deciding set. In the event there is a clear and distinct disadvantage, teams may switch sides, observing all social distancing protocols. Officials will determine if a disadvantage is present. o Substitution Procedures (2-1-7, 10-2-1, 10-2-3, 10-2-4) Maintain social distancing of 3 to 6 feet between the second referee and the player and substitute by encouraging substitutions to occur within the substitution zone closer to the attack line. o Officials Table (3-4) Limit to essential personnel which includes home team scorer, libero tracker and timer with a recommend distance of 3 to 6 feet between individuals. Visiting team personnel (scorer, statisticians, etc.) are not deemed essential personnel and will need to find an alternative location.

2. Volleyball Rules Interpretations o Rule 4-1 EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES

Cloth face coverings are permissible. (4-1-4) Gloves are permissible. (4-1-1) o Rule 4-2 LEGAL UNIFORM Long sleeves are permissible. (4-2-1) Long pants are permissible. [4-2-1i (1)] Under garments are permissible, but must be unadorned and of a single, solid color similar in color to the predominant color of the uniform top or bottom. [4-2-1h (3), 4-2-1i (2)] o Rule 5-3

OFFICIALS UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT Electronic whistles are permissible. (5-3-2a, b) Cloth face coverings are permissible. Gloves are permissible.

Youth Football  
and Cheer  
Registration  
Underway for  
Elba Rec Dept.

The Elba Parks and Recreation announced that Youth Football and Cheer Registration would continue through July 31st for children ages 7 -12. The fees are suspended until Sept. 1st.

Anyone interested in signing their child up for football and cheer with the Elba Parks and Recreation is encouraged to call the office at (334) 897-6833 before Friday, July 31st.

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## SPORTS NEWS



## NEW BROCKTON GAMECOCKS

### 2020 Football Schedule

August 21	Cottonwood	Home
August 28	Georgiana	Away
September 4	Opp *	Away
September 11	Daleville *	Home
September 18	Wicksburg *	Away
September 25	W.S. Neal	Home
October 2	Slocumb *	Home
October 9	Northside Meth. Dothan	
October 16	Providence Ch. * Dothan	
October 23	Houston Ac.	Home



## KINSTON BULLDOGS

### 2020 Football Schedule

August 21	Houston Ac.	Dothan
August 28	Zion Chapel	Away
September 4	Brantley *	Home
September 11	Red Level *	Away
September 18	Georgiana *	Away
Oct. 2	Floral * *	Home
October 9	McKenzie *	Home
October 16	Pleasant Home *	Away
October 23	Samson *	Home
October 30	Barbour County	Away

## New Brockton Gamecocks face eight new opponents in 2020 season in Class 3A

The New Brockton Gamecocks will add a new chapter to their football history book this season as they make the move to Class 3A and will compete against a total of eight opponents that were not on their schedule just one year ago.

Following is a preview of the Gamecocks 2020 schedule:

**August 21 Cottonwood**  
New Brockton will kick off its season at home when the Gamecocks host the 2A Cottonwood Bears. The Gamecocks own a 10-14 record in their series against the Bears, but have won the last five meetings, including a 19-10 victory last season. Cottonwood hasn't celebrated a winning season since back in 2014, and over the last five years has struggled to post a combined record of 16-34.

**August 28 At. Georgiana**  
New Brockton will hit the road in week #2 to renew its series against the 1A Georgiana Panthers, after a two-year absence from the schedule. The Gamecocks own a 6-5 all-time edge in the series, but lost the last matchup 41-6 back in 2017. The Panthers struggled to a 5-6 record last season after posting a combined record of 44-6 the previous four years.

**September 4 At. Opp**  
New Brockton will be back on the road in week #3 when the Gamecocks travel to Opp for the first time ever to battle the Opp Bobcats, in the region opener for both teams. The Bobcats are in their 11<sup>th</sup> season as a 3A squad, after spending 10 years in Class 4A, and have struggled to three straight losing seasons with a combined record of 8-23.

**September 11 Daleville**  
New Brockton will return home for a week #4 clash against the Daleville Warhawks in the first clash between the two neighbors in

29 years. The new region rivals have split their eight previous games, with the Warhawks winning the last two matchups in 1990 and 1991 by a combined score of 73-12. The Hawks, which posted a 7-4 record last season, have posted five straight winning seasons and made six straight playoff appearances.

**September 18 At. Wicksburg**

New Brockton will tangle with its third straight region opponents in week #5 when they travel across the county line to meet the Wicksburg Panthers. The Gamecocks have an 11-12 record against the Panthers, but this year's matchup will be the first between the new region rivals in 13 years. The Gamecocks have won the last two meetings back in 2006 and 2007 by a combined score of 69-28. The Panthers struggled to a 3-6 record last season after four straight winning seasons and four trips to the playoffs.

**September 25 W.S. Neal**

New Brockton will get a break from the region wars in week #6 when they host the W.S. Neal Blue Eagles, in the first clash between the two teams in 27 years. The Gamecocks own a 4-2 edge in the series, but lost the last two games against the Blue Eagles by a combined score of 59-6 back in 1992 and 1993. The Blue Eagles have struggled to two straight losing seasons with a combined record of 3-15, and have posted only three winning seasons in the last ten years.

**October 2 Slocumb**  
New Brockton will jump back into region play at home with a week #7 matchup against the Slocumb Red Tops. New Brockton has lost all four previous contests in the brief series, and has dropped the last two games back in 2002 and 2003 by a

### Gamecock scratchings ....

#### Team Timeline:

1985 1<sup>st</sup> Playoff Win  
1985 1<sup>st</sup> Playoff Appearance  
1986 1<sup>st</sup> 10-Win Season  
1987 1<sup>st</sup> 11-Win Season  
1987 1<sup>st</sup> 10-0 Regular Season  
1988 1<sup>st</sup> 12-Win Season

#### Region Championships

1986 - 1987 - 1988 - 1989 - 1995 - 1998 - 1999

#### Team Records:

Overall Record 261-224  
Region Record 108-102  
Home Record 146-92

#### Seasons 47

Winning Seasons 28  
Most Points Scored 71 (2016)  
Most Points Allowed 64 (2005)  
Longest Winning Streak 11  
Longest Losing Streak 15

#### Coaches - Most Wins

Leavy Boutwell 94-27  
Justin Jones 34-22  
Jim Bob Striplin 31-33  
Keith Thrasher 28-27  
Shannon Clark 28-33

combined score of 58-6. The Red Tops posted a 4-6 record last season and haven't recorded a winning record since 2015.

**October 9 At. Northside Methodist**

New Brockton will head to Dothan's Rip Hewes Stadium for a week #8 clash against the Northside Methodist Knights, in the first ever meeting between the two teams. The Knights are in their first year as a member of the AHSAA after six seasons as a member of the AISA, and have only posted one winning season in team history.

Over the last three seasons, Northside Methodist has a combined record of 8-24.

**October 16 At. Providence Christian**

New Brockton will jump back into the region wars in week #9 when they head back to Dothan for a clash with the Providence Christian Eagles. The Gamecocks have a 2-6 record against the Eagles in the short series and will meet for the eighth time in the last ten years, with Providence Christian winning the last two meetings by a combined score of 77-23. The Eagles have developed into a 3A power in recent years and over the past two seasons own a 22-4 record, including four playoff wins.

**October 23 Houston Academy**

New Brockton will close out the regular season with a region clash, at home, against the Houston Academy Raiders. The Gamecocks and Raiders will be meeting for the first time in 11 years, after meeting for 10 straight seasons from 2000 until 2009, and the Gamecocks own an all-time series record of 6-14. The Raiders have won the last ten matchups, including the last five by a combined score of 212-47, but posted a 1-9 record last season and have posted only one winning season in the last six years.

## Kinston Bulldogs will be 'road warriors' for 2020 season

The Kinston Bulldogs will face eight familiar foes this season in the 2020 high school football season and will also be 'road warriors' as they will host just four games during the ten-game season. Following is a preview of this season's football schedule:

**August 21 At. Houston Academy**

Kinston will renew an old rivalry in the opening week of the season when the Bulldogs hit the road to battle the 3A Houston Academy Raiders, in the first meeting between the two teams in 23 years. The Bulldogs own a 6-12 all-time record in the series, but won the last contest 41-13 back in 1997 to snap a five-game losing streak. The Raiders have won a total of only eight games over the last three seasons.

**August 28 At. Zion Chapel**

Kinston will be back on the road in week #2 when it heads across the county for a non-region matchup against the Zion Chapel Rebels. The Bulldogs have a 20-25 series record against their county rivals, and have lost three of the last four meetings by a combined score of 71-42. The Rebels have posted an 11-10 record the last two seasons, recorded a 6-5 last year.

**September 4 Brantley**

Kinston will stage its home opener and jump into the region wars in a week #4 matchup against the Brantley Bulldogs. The Bulldogs have a 4-30 all-time record in the long series, have lost 22 straight to their region rivals, and lost last season 55-13. Brantley has posted 18 straight winning seasons, posted an 11-2 record last

### Kinston Bulldogs paw prints ...

#### Timeline

1987 1<sup>st</sup> Playoff Appearance  
1987 1<sup>st</sup> Playoff Win

Team Record 136-340-1  
Region Record 68-138  
Home Record 73-148

Most Wins In Season - 6 (2014)  
Most Losses in Season - 10 (2008)

Most Points Scored - 68 (2010)  
Most Points Allowed - 69 (2008)

Longest Winning Streak - 4  
Longest Losing Streak - 28

#### Coaches - Most Wins

Jason Wambles 32-44  
Gary Glass 17-22  
Rick Moody 12-20  
Rick Rainer 10-30  
Mickey Jacobs 9-43

season, and have advanced to the playoffs every year since way back in 1997.

**September 11 At. Red Level**

Kinston will remain in region competition in week #4 and will head back on the road for the third time in four games when the Bulldogs tangle with the Red Level Tigers. The Bulldogs have an 8-13 all-time record in the series with their region rivals, but have won two of the last three meetings, including a big 54-12 victory last season. The Tigers have won a total of six games over the last three seasons and last season posted a 1-9 record.

**Sept 18 At. Georgiana**

Kinston will continue to log frequent traveler miles in week #5 when it heads to Georgiana for a region clash against the Georgiana Panthers. The Bulldogs have a 4-6 series record against

their region rivals, but have lost six straight games and last season dropped a 56-42 shootout. The Panthers struggled to a 5-6 record last season after winning a total of 44 games the previous four years.

**October 2 Floral**

Kinston will finally make it back home in week #6 when the Bulldogs host the Floral Wildcats in a key region matchup. The Bulldogs, which own a 14-18 series record, won nine straight games against the 'Cats from 2009-2017, but have lost the last two meetings by a combined score of 91-19. The Wildcats posted a 7-4 record last season, their first winning season in five years.

**October 9 McKenzie**

Kinston will wrap up a two-game home stand in week #7 with a region clash against the McKenzie Tigers. The Bulldogs have a

10-14 series record against their region rivals, but have won the last three meetings, including a 55-34 win a year ago, and over the last three years have averaged over 52 points per game in rolling to lopsided wins. The Tigers have struggled to three straight losing seasons and back-to-back 1-9 records.

**Oct 16 At. Pleasant Home**

Kinston will be on the road in week #8 when it travels to Covington County for a region clash against the Pleasant Home Eagles. The two region rivals have split their 20-game series, with the Bulldogs winning two straight and five of the last seven regular season meetings, including a 31-7 win last season. The Eagles have struggled to three straight losing seasons, and have posted only one winning season over

the last eight years.

**October 23 Samson**

Kinston will return home in week #9 for a region matchup against the Samson Tigers. The Bulldogs own a 6-32 all-time record against their neighbors, have lost five straight games and eight out of the last nine meetings, including a 14-10 loss last season. The Tigers have posted four wins in each of the last three years after posting back-to-back seven win seasons in 2015 and 2016.

**October 30 At. Barbour County**

Kinston will close out regular season action with a week #10 non-region battle against the Barbour County Jaguars. It will mark the first-ever meeting between the two teams on the gridiron, with the Jaguars entering the season with a 60-game losing streak and having allowed over 66 points per game a year ago.



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
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## SCHOOL NEWS

### Elba City Schools 2020-2021 School Calendar

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 School Closed/ Holidays

 ½ Day students/Full Day Teachers

 Teacher Workday (no school for students)

### Elba Elementary School announces dates & times for back-to-school drive thru orientation next week

Elba Elementary School will hold its 2020 Drive Thru School Supply Drop Off and Back-to-School Orientation next week!

In an attempt to reduce the wait time and long lines of traffic, please note the location of the student's orientation at which Elba Elementary teachers will be

handing out student folders with orientation materials. These materials will include teacher information brochures, updates from the principal, COVID-19 procedure updates, as well as other important information that will help students be prepared for the first day of school.

Parents wishing to drop off supplies [with the teacher] for their child during the designated orientation time should be sure to write the child's name on all supplies being dropped off with the teacher. Dropping supplies off during orientation can make the child's first day travel to class a little easier.

Those new to Elba Elementary School that would like to tour the campus with your child prior to the first day, please call the school at 334-897-2814.

**EES Orientation ~ Bus Loading Area at Back of Elementary**  
Tuesday, Aug. 4th — 4:00-5:30 p.m. - 2nd Grade  
Wednesday, Aug. 5th — 4:00-5:30 p.m. - 4th Grade  
**EES Orientation ~ Front of Elementary**  
Monday, Aug. 3rd — 4:00-5:30 p.m. - 1st Grade  
Tuesday, Aug. 4th — 4:00-5:30 p.m. - 3rd Grade  
Wednesday, Aug. 5th — 4:00-5:30 p.m. - 5th/6th Grades

### Elba superintendent discusses latest updates for reopening plan at July 21st BOE meeting

With the start of the 2020-2021 school year nearing, Elba City Schools superintendent Chris Moseley provided board members with the latest updates to Elba's reopening plan during the monthly school board meeting held Tuesday evening, July 21st.

The meeting was held in the cafeteria of Elba High School to adhere to proper COVID-19 social distancing guidelines, and all in attendance wore facial coverings as mandated currently in the state.

Moseley reminded board members that the reopening plan for the school system is and would continue to be a working document as more information comes down from the state on COVID-19 guidelines. As of the June 21st board meeting, the following reopening plans were in place for Elba City Schools [one change since that meeting is the start date for students now will be Monday, Aug. 10]:

- It is highly encouraged that all medically cleared students attend school in person.

- There will be distance learning opportunities for students whose parents choose to keep them at home. These students will remain enrolled at Elba City Schools and take virtual classes provided by the ALSDE.

- Elba City Schools strongly encourages parents that are thinking of doing the distance learning options to contact their child's school and speak with administration and learn more about the programs before making a final decision.

- Any parents that do elect to keep their children at home and receive distance learning will need to remain virtual for the entire nine-week grading period. At the end of the nine-week grading period they may choose again to either remain virtual or come back to the traditional

setting.

- Elba City Schools strongly encourages parents to check temperatures before students leave the house. If the temperature is at 100 degrees, keep the student at home and contact the school.

- Elba City Schools will begin the year checking all temperatures at the entrances. Students with a temperature will move to a room to be assessed by the nurse and temperatures will be rechecked. If the temperature remains the school will then notify a parent/guardian to pick the student up.

- Elba City Schools will have hand sanitizer stations located throughout both buildings.

- Elba City Schools strongly encourages students, staff and anyone coming on campus to wear facial coverings while on campus. This is not saying that students and staff are required to wear these all day. However, there will be certain times during the day it is strongly encouraged facial masks be worn.

- Elba City Schools will begin the year limiting visitor access and continue as we have during the summer with curbside assistance from the office staff at both schools. We understand for some things visitors must enter the building and again we ask that they please wear facial coverings.

- Elba City Schools strongly encourages students riding a bus to wear facial covers for the ride. Also, if a child rides a bus and the parent is able to bring him/her by vehicle this is highly encouraged to begin the year.

- All teachers will be provided with protective shields in their classroom to provide instruction.

- Elba City Schools is also getting upgrades in restrooms, to include touchless faucets and touchless hand dryers to make those areas safer for students.

### VOTE CHELSEA COOPER THE MAYOR FOR ELBA'S FUTURE!



Born and raised in Elba, Alabama, Chelsea is a 2002 graduate of Elba High School. Chelsea pursued her undergraduate at the University of South Alabama before attending law school on a full scholarship at the University of Alabama. Gavin and Chelsea chose to return to their hometown of Elba to raise their family. They have two wonderful daughters, Cora (7) and Farris (3).

#### THE ISSUES...

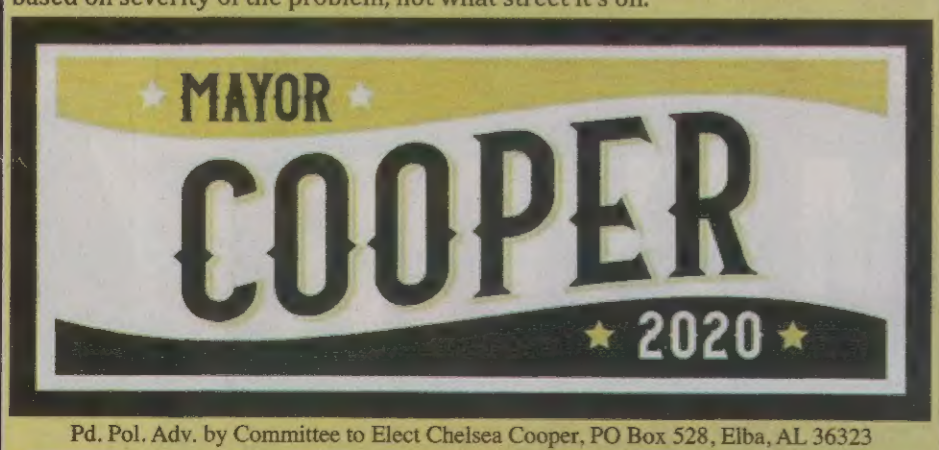
**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:** Chelsea is committed to recruiting new small business and industry to Elba while also supporting the growth and development of the businesses that have made the commitment to stay in Elba. We want our children to have the opportunity to stay in Elba and thrive in their careers.

**CRIME & HOMELESSNESS:** You should feel safe in your home. Elba needs strong leadership to encourage Police to investigate crimes, secure warrants, and arrest criminals. Elba needs a proactive approach in tackling the issues of drug abuse and homelessness, which are far too widespread in a town of 4,000 citizens.

**HOUSING AND RECREATION:** Chelsea believes that, in order to recruit new businesses and industry, you must have a town in which people want to live. Elba has an abundance of natural resources for outdoor enthusiasts, as well as family friendly parks, and an active recreation department. Chelsea also believes that new housing development is critical to attracting the young families that Elba is consistently losing to neighboring towns.

**SCHOOLS:** As graduates of Elba High School with children coming up in the Elba City School system, Chelsea and Gavin are committed advocates for excellence in our city schools.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** Chelsea believes that our citizens deserve well-maintained streets and that the City of Elba should prioritize repairs and paving based on severity of the problem, not what street it's on.



### Elba Elementary School Kindergarten JumpStart Wednesday, August 5th from 8:30-10:15 a.m.

Due to Covid 19 restrictions, EES is asking that each child only be escorted by one parent/guardian. Please do not bring siblings.

By attending this day, kindergarten students will have the opportunity to become familiar with faculty, friends, and the procedures of their new school before the older students arrive.

### Locals named to Dean's, President's lists at Alabama

A total of 16,470 students enrolled during the 2020 spring semester at The University of Alabama were named to the Dean's List with an academic record of 3.5 or above or the President's List with an academic record of 4.0 (all A's).

The UA Dean's and President's lists recognize full-time undergraduate

students. The lists do not apply to graduate students or to undergraduate students who take less than a full course load.

**Students from the local area named to the UA Deans List** were: Anna Jackson, Elba; Brooklyn Gillis, Kinston; and Andy Garcia and William Page, both of New Brockton.

**Students from the local area named to the Presidents List** were: Jade Horstman of Jack; Alison Glass and Caroline Hataway, both of Kinston.

Elba High School 7th Grade orientation set for Monday, Aug. 3rd

Elba High School will conduct 7th Grade Orientation on Monday, Aug. 3, at 5:30 p.m.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, this is for 7th Graders ONLY. The orientation will be held in the school's auditorium with social distancing observed.

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